

# IR-03 ISTR Update

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# ARYL PHOSPHATE SUMMARY

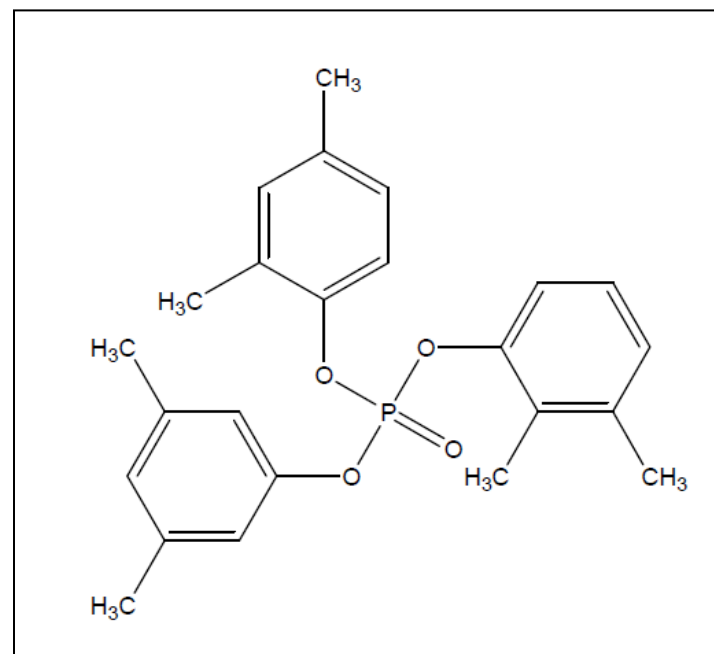
# Trixylenyl Phosphate



## Aryl Phosphates found at Site IR-03 were identified as **Trixylenyl Phosphate**

- Used as a flame retardant/plasticizer
- Chemical Characteristics:
  - Very stable
  - High Boiling Point ( $>300^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
  - Non-volatile
  - Not soluble
  - Dense
- Occurs as a mixture of isomers
- No screening levels established
- No available laboratory standards

Example of Trixylenyl Phosphate Isomer



# Aryl Phosphates Do Not Volatilize in Ambient Conditions



The theoretical concentration of trixylenyl phosphate in air in a closed container with an infinite source would be below many chemicals' residential indoor air regional screening levels.

## Trixylenyl Phosphate Vapor Pressure

$8.6 \times 10^{-11}$  atm at 20°C

1.47  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$

Pure Trixylenyl  
Phosphate

## Aroclor 1260 Vapor Pressure

$5.3 \times 10^{-8}$  atm at 25°C

780  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$

Pure Aroclor 1260

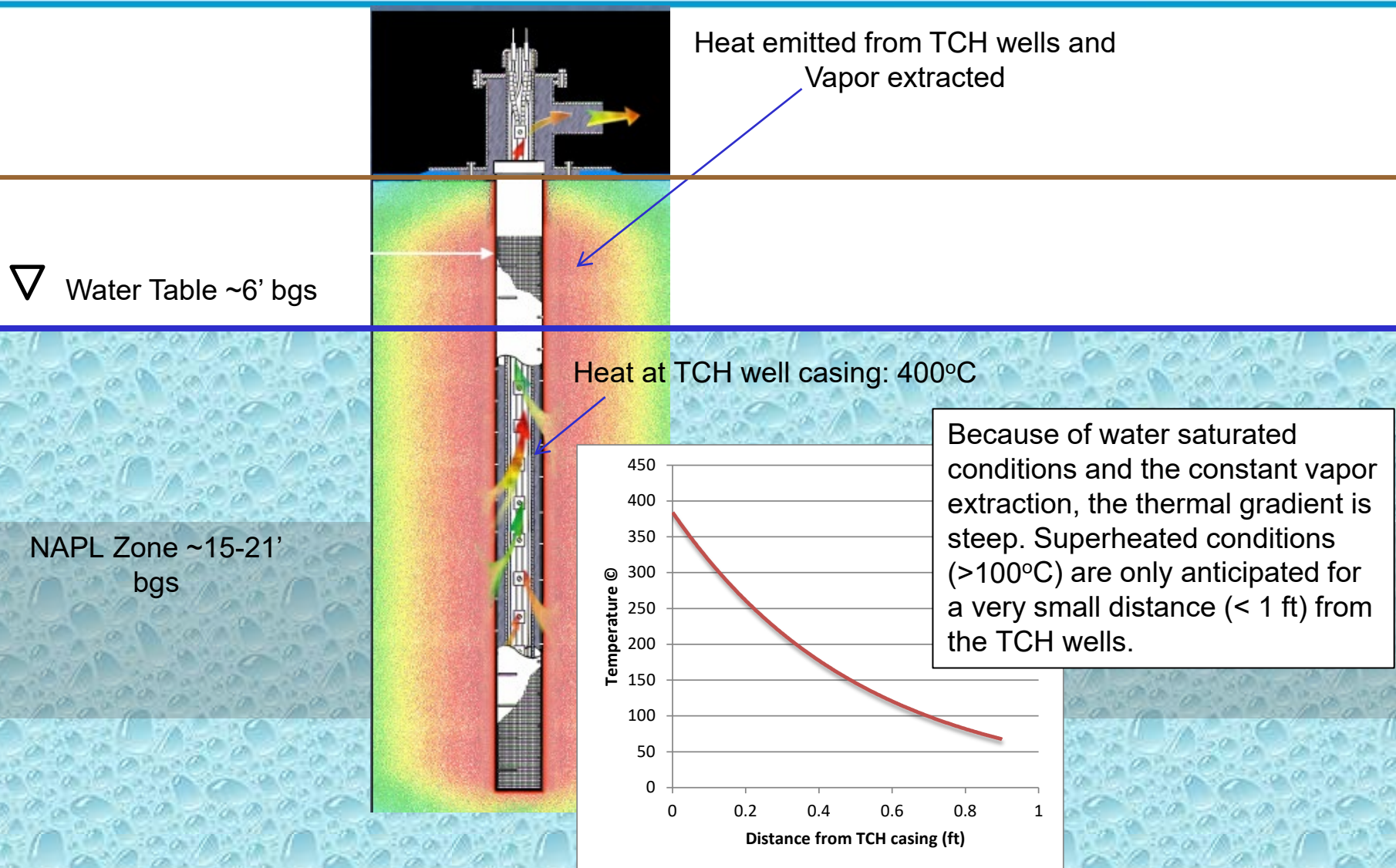
## Benzene Vapor Pressure

$9.9 \times 10^{-2}$  atm at 20°C

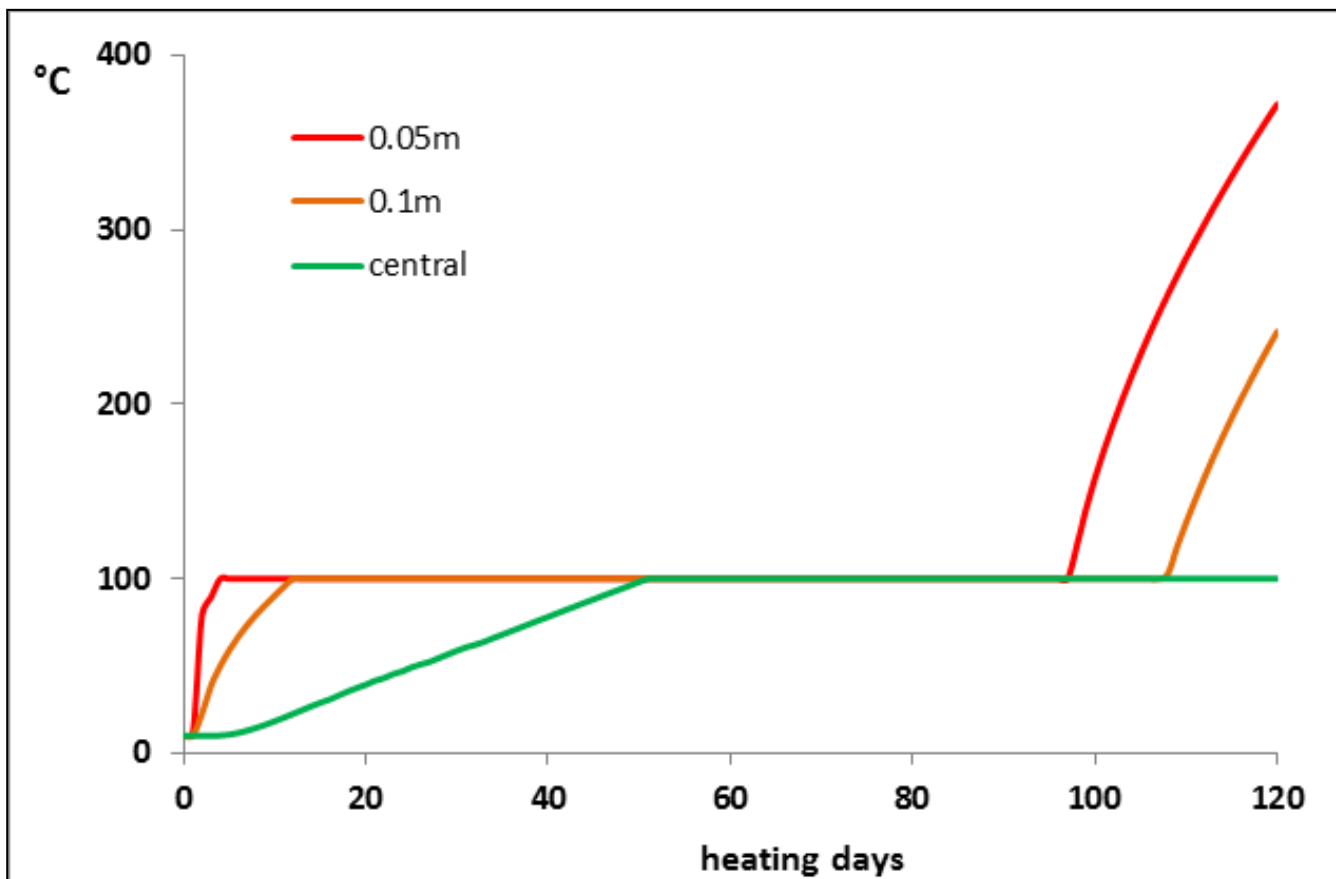
320,604,156  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$

Pure Benzene

# Temperatures Reduce to Below 300°C Within 0.2 Feet of the Heater Wells Casing



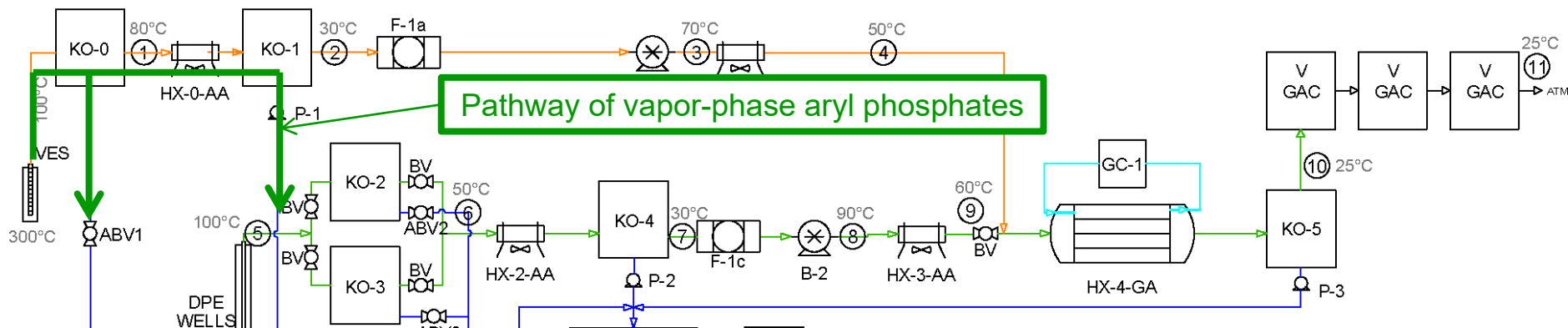
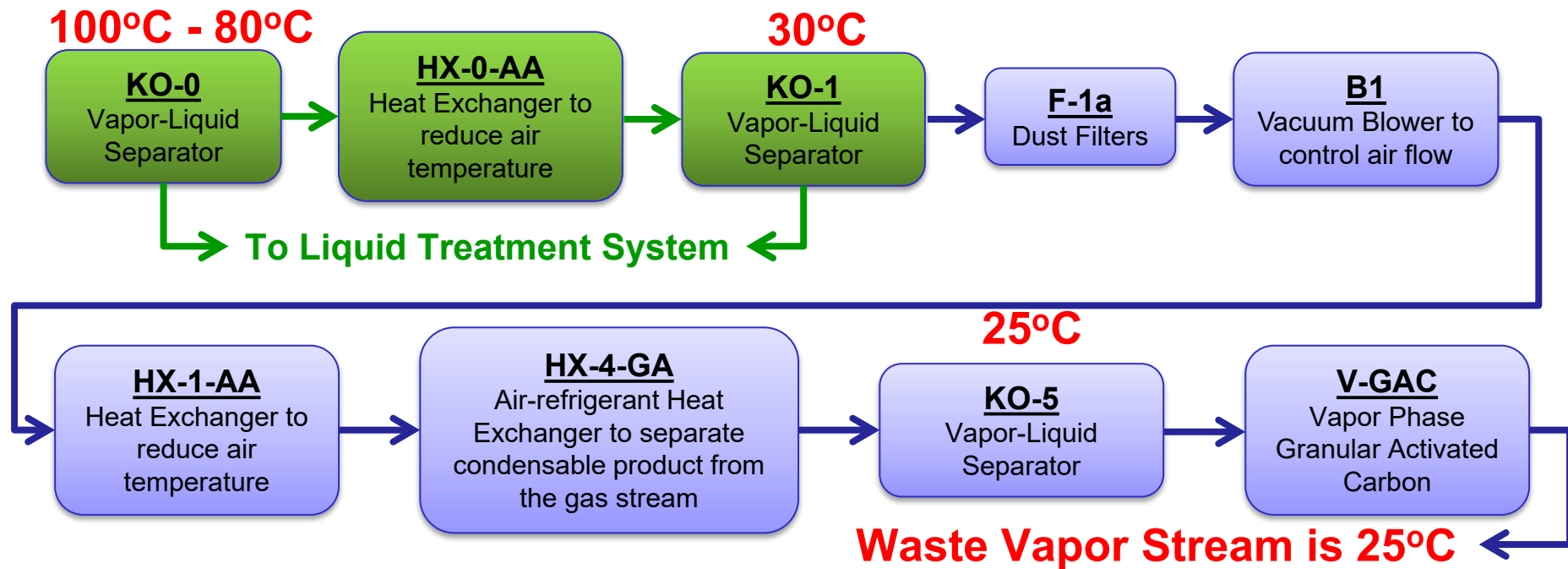
Initial modeling of the Site suggests that conditions near the TCH wells would realize temperatures  $>100^{\circ}\text{C}$  after 100 days of heating and temperatures near  $300^{\circ}\text{C}$  within 0.05 m (0.16 ft) of the TCH wells.



# Vapor-Phase Aryl Phosphates (created from heating) will be removed from the Vapor Treatment System in Vapor-Liquid Separators operated at lower temperatures



## Treatment Process for Vapor-Phase Contaminants



# Aqueous-Phase Aryl Phosphates will be Treated by Activated Carbon



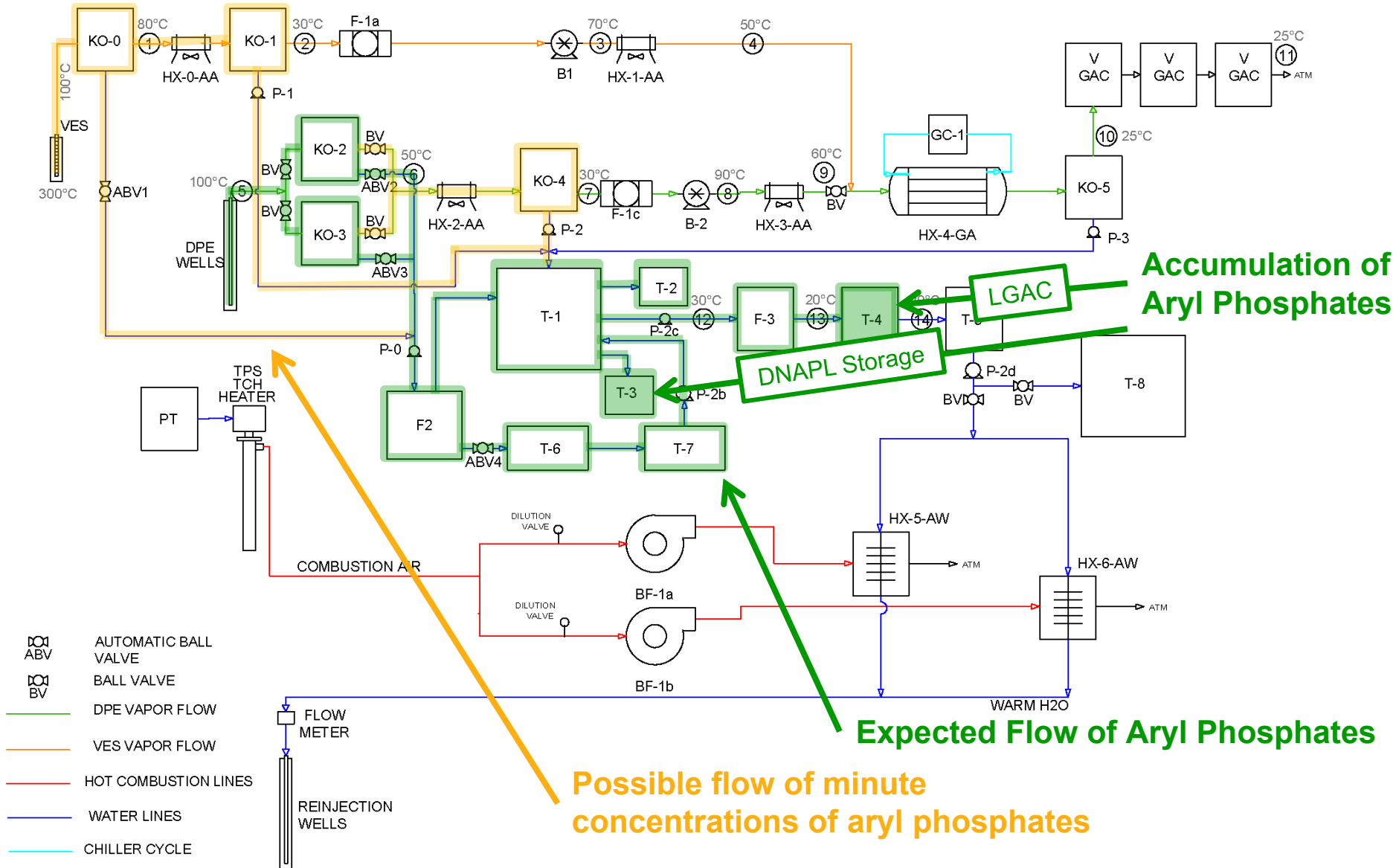
Higher  $K_{oc}$  values indicate better sorption of chemicals to organic carbon

$$K_{oc} = \frac{\text{Mass of contaminant sorbed to the soil organic carbon } (\frac{mg}{g})}{\text{Mass of contaminant in the aqueous phase } (\frac{mg}{mL})}$$

Estimated Log( $K_{oc}$ ) Values	
Trixylenyl Phosphate	3.93
Aroclor 1260	4.52
Benzene	2.22
PCE	2.83



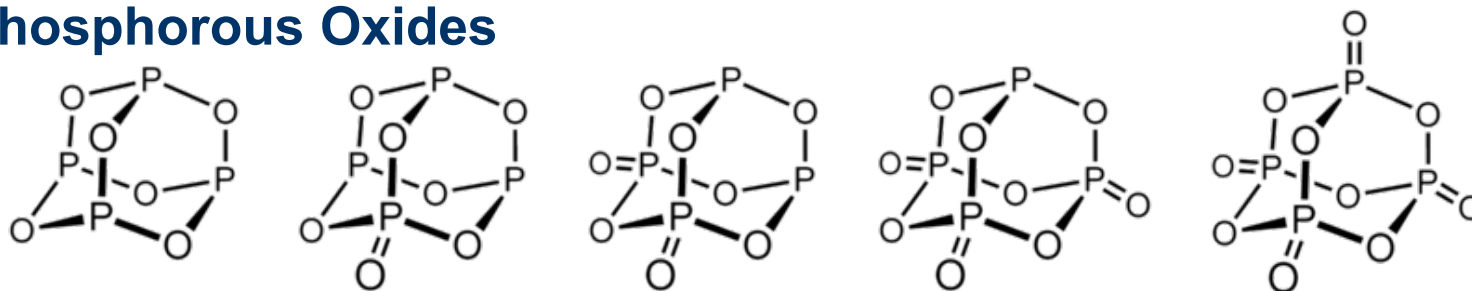
# ISTR Process Flow Diagram



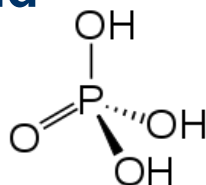
# Degradation Products of Trixylenyl Phosphate

Degradation products can be formed at high temperatures during combustion

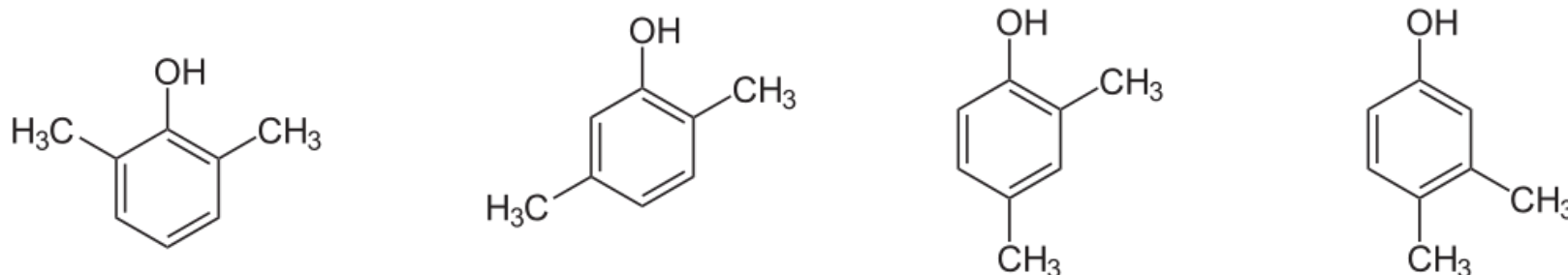
## •Phosphorous Oxides



## •Phosphoric Acid



## •Xylenols



# Degradation Products of Trixylenyl Phosphate



- Phosphorous Oxides
  - Boiling point ranges from 170°C to 360°C
  - Generally in solid state
  - Reacts with water to form phosphoric acid
- Xylenols
  - Boiling point ranges from 203°C to 227°C
  - Generally in solid state
  - Aromatic compounds that will act like petroleum hydrocarbons, such as xylene
- Phosphoric Acid
  - Boiling point: 158°C

Very little degradation of aryl phosphates will occur due to the high stability of aryl phosphates, the limited amount of NAPL that will reach very high (>300°C) temperatures, and the lack of conditions conducive to combustion

# There are no exposure pathways for aryl phosphates during system operation



Exposure Pathway	Complete?	Reason
Inhalation of Volatile Aryl Phosphates at Ambient Temperatures in the VGAC exit stream	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aryl Phosphates are not volatile and will be in the liquid phase at standard conditions</li> <li>Minute aryl phosphates remaining in vapor will be treated by GAC</li> </ul>
Inhalation of Volatile Aryl Phosphates at high temperatures due to leaks in the system	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The ISTR heater wells would shut down before any surface reaches temperatures that would promote volatile aryl phosphates: above 300°C</li> </ul>
Inhalation of Aryl Phosphates in dust from construction activities	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extensive dust control measures prevent any contaminated soil from leaving the site</li> </ul>
Dermal contact with Aryl Phosphates in NAPL	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NAPL will be collected and disposed of off-site</li> <li>Proper PPE will be worn while handling hazardous waste</li> </ul>
Dermal contact with Aryl Phosphates in the LGAC exit stream	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aryl Phosphates are not soluble</li> <li>Aryl phosphates remaining in the aqueous phase will be treated by GAC</li> <li>The LGAC exit stream will be re-injected into groundwater</li> </ul>

The closed NAPL treatment system will not allow unacceptable exposure to any IR-03 contaminants

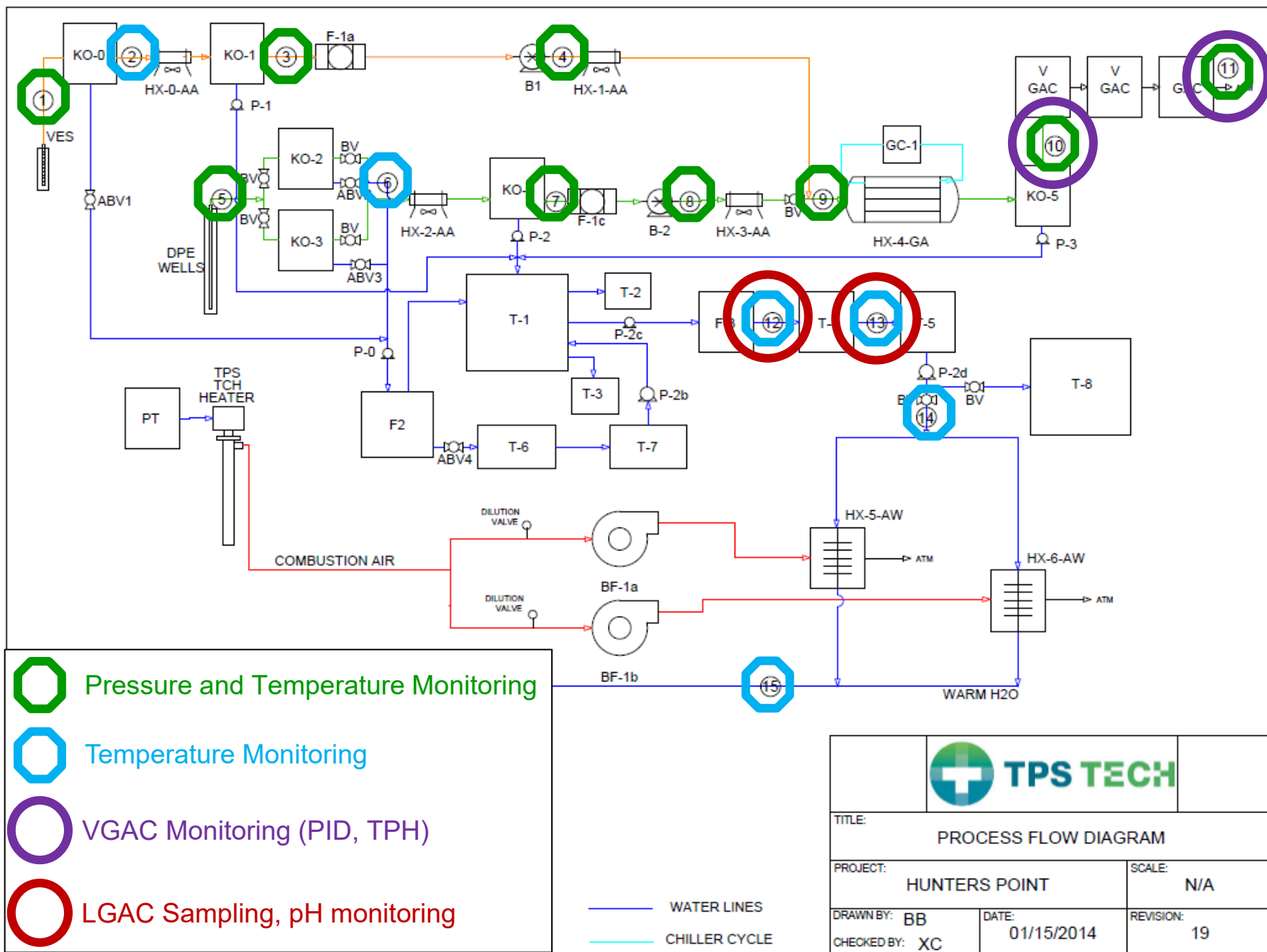
# ISTR System Monitoring Ensures the System is Functioning Properly



- Daily temperature monitoring throughout the above-ground system
- Daily pressure monitoring throughout the above-ground treatment system
- Daily PID readings from the Vapor GAC influent and effluent
- Weekly TPH Draeger tube measurements and Field GCMS of the Vapor GAC influent and effluent
- Monthly TO-15 sampling of the Vapor GAC effluent
- Weekly water sampling of the Liquid GAC influent and effluent
- Weekly pH monitoring of the Liquid GAC influent
- Breathing zone monitoring with a PID, FID and 4-gas meter



If high temperatures are exceeded at certain points, the heaters will shut down automatically



# ISTR Installation



## Field Work: Installed Wiring and Piping



Heater well propane and electrical connections – 01/08/14.



TPS Tech personnel working on ISTR system wiring and piping – 01/13/14.



# Field Work: Installation and Testing of Wiring and Piping



Safety cut-offs for propane lines – 01/21/14.



Shakedown activities, motor power supplies – 01/20/14.

## Field Work: Installed the Above Ground Treatment System



Soil vapor and groundwater/product treatment system at the end of 01/17/14.



## Field Work: Testing the Treatment System



Leak testing on knock-out vessels - 01/21/14.



Soil vapor chiller testing - 01/20/14.

# ISTR Operation Schedule



Activity	Expected Schedule
Begin Testing of Heater Wells	1/27/14 to 1/31/14
System Start-up	2/3/14
Operation and Maintenance	2/3/14 to 5/23/14
System Cool Down	5/25/14 to 5/30/14



ISTR well field at the end of 01/21/14.

